

of January, 1851, filed her petition for alimony, *pendente lite*, and for an allowance of money to prosecute the suit, in which she states, that on the 5th of September, 1850, she gave birth to a male infant, the issue of her said marriage, which is yet alive and nurtured by her. That she has lived apart from her said husband for more than eleven months, during a part of which time she was seriously ill, and throughout the whole period has been, and is, in delicate health, that she has been unable to do any thing towards her own support, or that of her infant, since its birth. That during all said period of separation from her husband, she has remained in the home, and under the protection, and at the charge of her mother, whose circumstances are limited, requiring her daily exertions for her own livelihood, and that of her younger children. That the expenses of petitioner during her sickness, and for the care and nurture of her said infant are heavy, and have been so, and that she is unable to defray the same, and the expense of conducting, by counsel, her suit for divorce. That her husband is extensively engaged in a lucrative business, which yields him at least \$1200 per annum. She, therefore, prays that an order may be passed granting her proper alimony, *pendente lite*, and the means wherewith to defray the costs and fees for the prosecution of her said suit.

On the 6th of January, 1851, the Chancellor passed an order, setting the matter of this petition down for hearing on the 6th of February, then next. Afterwards, on the 20th of January, an order was passed, granting leave to either party to take depositions, to be read at the hearing of this petition, under which testimony was taken, the purport of which is stated in the opinion.

On the 13th of February, 1851, the defendant filed his answer to this petition, in which he states, that his wife's patrimony was \$300, which was invested in the hands of her brothers, none of which has he ever touched, and that she still has it in her possession, or is yet to receive it, and if it can be so done, respondent would wish it may be invested for her separate use, at least so much of it as may remain, after paying the costs on his